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SUBJECT { GENERAL Operational/IE
SPECIFIC James Zoltan MAIRA and James KRISTINAY

Acquainted with Zoltan MAIRA, []
ABRAHAM LIEBESCH, Switzerland, []

Reference: MEMO-21853

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1. The following report from Munich is passed VII:

"Under separate cover is a report by [] on the activities of Dr. Zoltan MAIRA during a trip to Switzerland from 29 March to 2 April 1956. Unbeknownst to [] before the party left Munich, MAIRA made contact in Switzerland with a James KRISTINAY and a Thomas (Tome) LNU. [] was later introduced to unidentified from KRISTINAY that was left [] photographic expert and is accomplished in micro-photography. [] found it passing strange that KRISTINAY, according to his own statements, had succeeded in purchasing his own apartment in Bern-Liebenfeld, furnishing it with furniture exceeding 1,000 Swiss francs in value, and possessing photographic equipment worth several thousands of Swiss francs, all on the basis of free lance photographic work since the Fall of 1945. Prior to that, according to KRISTINAY, he had spent with his wife some 12-15 months in a munition and had otherwise been engaged in manual type labor, since he and his wife fled to the West from Hungary in 1950. KRISTINAY also revealed that he was a good friend of (Dr.) Zoltan WILST, of the WIKI intelligence agency, and that WILST often visited him in Bern."

2. Neither MIS nor Headquarters have traces of KRISTINAY. Dr. Zoltan MAIRA is the editor of a "Free Hungarian newspaper" in Munich.

3. The foregoing information should not be passed to liaison.

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